



Chairman Shirkey and members of the Senate Health Policy Committee,

I'm writing today to express support from the Michigan Society of Anesthesiologists (MSA) for Senate Bill 592, sponsored by Senator Curtis Hertel, which would expand the list of designated places to perform surgical removal of a human organ by adding a facility operated by a federally designated organ procurement organization (OPO).

Physician anesthesiologists are often involved in the organ procurement process and we understand the public health benefits of facilitating the donation process. Therefore, we support the efforts to include OPOs in state law as another avenue for organ procurement.

According to the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, OPOs must be certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and abide by CMS regulations. Because CMS guidelines, and Michigan state law, require physician supervision of the administration of anesthesia services, we support the removal of a human organ for transplantation, implantation, infusion, or injection under this scenario.

Thank you for this opportunity to present the MSA's position on Senate Bill 592 and we look forward to working with the sponsor and the committee members on this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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